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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIMEAssistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants hereby request an extension of time to May 9, 2002 to respond to the Office Action (Paper No. 33) mailed March 15, 2002. Applicants and the undersigned thank Examiner Quang Nguyen for the courtesy shown during a telephone conference in which the following was discussed.

In the above mentioned telephone conference, the undersigned indicated that Applicants need more time to prepare a response to the matters discussed during the personal interview on April 25, 2002, and to decide how best to respond to the issues raised during the interview. Granting of an extension to May 9, 2002, would allow preparation of a considered response.

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Confirmation that the requested extension of time has been granted is respectfully requested. Should any questions arise, please call the undersigned at (703) 838-6572.

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